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Attention: Mr. Tim Williams

Office of Initial Patent Examination

Dear Sir:

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Respectfully, the undersigned points out that these issues appear to have resulted through some inaction or error of the USPTO. Moreover, these issues have resulted in significant added costs to our clients and deleterious effects on our client's prospective patent rights.

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If you have any questions or concerns with regard to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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